

Greater Manchester Police, Bury, BL9 0RD

CERTIFICATE UNDER SECTION 53A(1)(b) OF THE LICENSING ACT 2003

I hereby certify that in my opinion the premises described below are associated with serious crime / serious disorder / both serious crime and serious disorder¹.

*Premises*²:

Topshop, 20 Hurst Street, Bury, BL9 7ER

Premises licence number (if known): PL0956

Name of premises supervisor (if known): Syed Khurshid Hussain SHAH

I am a Chief Superintendent³ in the Greater Manchester police force.

I am giving this certificate because I am of the opinion that other procedures under the Licensing Act are inappropriate in this case, because⁴:

These premises are associated with serious crime.

At 16:00 hours on Thursday 20th April 2023, officers from Bury Council's Trading Standards and Licensing departments attended TOPSHOP, 20 HURST STREET, BURY in company with Greater Manchester Police and Immigration Officers. The intention was to search the premises for illicit tobacco and illegal vapes however during the search, a large quantity of cannabis, already divided in separate snap bags (75 Cannabis Bush & 11 Cannabis Resin) were discovered in the store room at the rear of the premises.

Two individuals were arrested in the premises on suspicion of an offence of Possession With Intent to Supply however neither party is the DPS or Premises License Holder. During the investigation, it has been established that neither detained persons, were employed by the store and certainly on male had been

¹ Delete as applicable.

² Include business name and address and any other relevant identifying details.

³ Insert rank of officer giving the certificate, which must be superintendent or above.

⁴ Give a brief description of why other procedures such as a standard review process are thought to be inappropriate, e.g. the degree of seriousness of the crime and/or disorder, the past history of compliance in relation to the premises concerned.

asked to temporarily watch the store by two Asian males as Police and other agencies arrived on scene.

It is my opinion that an expediated review of the premises license is necessary to allow the licensing authority to review/amend the license conditions and prevent a reoccurrence of the such serious crime.



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(Signed)

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